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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. JP-A-11-296592 dated October 29, 1999, together with English Language Abstract;
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. JP-A-2002-117144 dated April 19, 2002, together with English Language Abstract; and
3. Japanese Patent Publication No. JP-A-11-184945 dated July 9, 1999, together with English Language Abstract.

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The references listed above were cited in an Official Action dated August 5, 2008 received from the Japanese Patent Office, a copy of which is enclosed. Applicant is submitting copies of the above-cited references required by 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii). Please note that the other reference cited in the Office Action, namely, Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-73615 published March 12, 2002 was previously submitted in applicant's Information Disclosure Statement dated November 26, 2003.

The undersigned attorney hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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